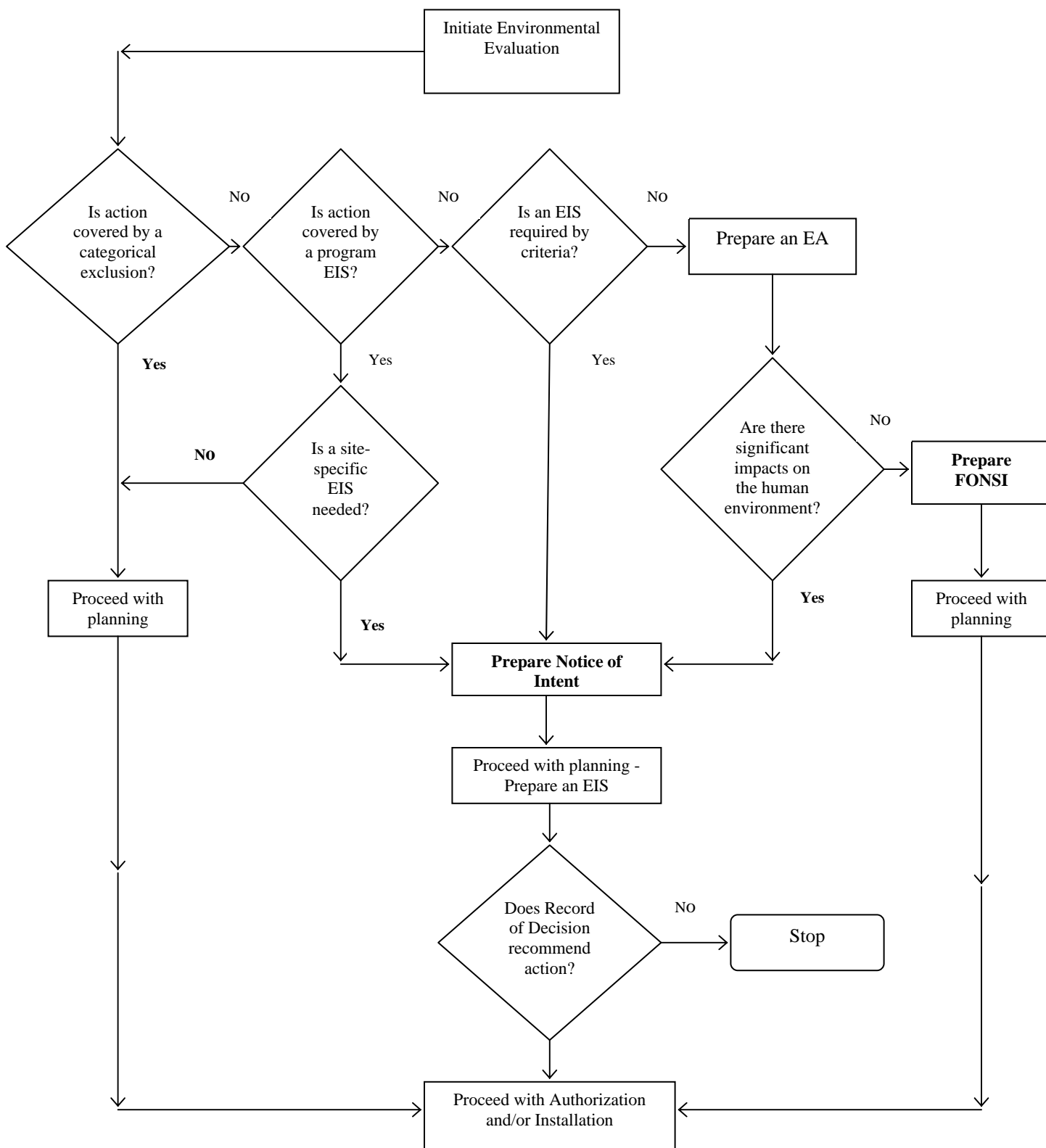


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The preceding flowchart is from the NRCS regulations implementing NEPA (7 CFR Part 650) and the NRCS policy at General Manual Title 190, Part 410. The EE begins the process and is used to determine whether an EA or EIS needs to be prepared when a Federal action has been proposed, or whether no additional documentation is needed because the action is categorically excluded or already sufficiently analyzed. Thus, the flowchart illustrates the decisions that must be made to determine the appropriate NEPA documentation to be prepared once it is determined there is a Federal action.